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State Government Offices

* 193 *Q.*—SRI MOHAMED RAZA KHAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether there is any proposal to take over the buildings within the Fort St. George to house th eState Government offices; and

(*b*) if so, the stage at which the matter now stands?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : (*a*) There is no proposal to take over the buildings within the Fort St. George to house the State Government offices. There is, however, a proposal to acquire about 2½ acres of land on the eastern side of the King's Barracks' (north-western side of the Secretariat Buildings) and the buildings standing thereon for securing additional accommodation for the Secretariat.

(*b*) The matter is under correspondence with the Military Authorities.

SRI MOHAMED RAZA KHAN : May I know whether the Government will locate the new Legislative Council chamber there when they get these lands?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : It is an ' if ' question. Let us get the lands first and we will consider the question.

Anglo-Indian Schools

* 194 *Q.*—SRI G. KRISHNAMOORTHY : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the recommendations of the Pay Commission as accepted by the Government will also apply to Anglo-Indian schools in the State; and

(*b*) if so, whether any orders have been issued in this regard?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : (*a*) Yes, Sir.

(*b*) The matter is under consideration.

Subramanyaswami temple, Tiruchendur

* 195 *Q.*—SRI K. M. RAMASAMY GOUNDER (on behalf of SRI S. T. ADITYAN) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Home be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that a gold chain with different kinds of stones has been presented to the Deity of Tiruchendur Subramanyaswami temple, Tiruchendur, on the 8th day festival of Avani, 1960;

(*b*) whether the authorities concerned have refused or refrained from issuing a receipt for the same;